

# The Snyder Signal

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## MUSIC, LITERATURE AND ELOCUTION

SEASON OF MENTAL AND SOCIAL CULTURE—THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

We have a week of delightful entertainment by musical and literary people, marking the closing of the school year and the advancement of our young people as demonstrated in public recitals is gratifying to the people and reflects credit upon pupils and teachers. The pupils of the school show splendid literary progress and in appearing before a critical audience they come with a degree of grace to challenge the admiration of the public.

The presentation at the opera house last Thursday night of that popular play "Under the Laurels" by the Expression Class, directed by Mrs. Hutchison was entirely satisfactory. The casts had been aptly selected and well drilled so that the lines were well rendered.

On Friday night the Seniors, under the direction of Miss Mary Holland presented "Emeralds" in a way to show intelligent application and excellent training. These entertainments were witnessed by large audiences and the people were pleased.

On Monday night the Junior pupils of Mrs. Hutchison's School of Expression, assisted by pupils from Mrs. Barnes Music School rendered an entertaining program.

On Tuesday night at the Methodist church, Miss Eulalia Smith, a pupil of Mrs. Hutchison gave her graduating recital. She was assisted by Mrs. Hugh Boren and Miss Dimple Gross.

Miss Smith is very charming in reading. She has splendid talent and her training has been such as to bring out and develop her natural aptness.

The following program was faultlessly rendered by Miss Smith and her accomplished support.

"We build the ladder by which we rise."—Holland.

"At the Mallorys." (Marjorie Cook) Characters: Laurence Lawton, a typical metinee girl, Besse Gray, her chum.

Melody of Love—Engelman—Dimple Gross.

A Quarters Interest. Last Night—(Kjerulf)—Mrs. Hugh Boren.

Photographer's Studio. Scene: A photographer's studio. Occupant, Charles Bolton.

Aux Italiani—Meredith.

The Palms—Lerbach.

Presenting of Diplomas—Judge Collier C. Higgins.

One of the very popular and enjoyable events of the week was a violin recital at the opera house Wednesday night, given by Miss Hattie Faught, a student of the Altruistic Club.

Miss Faught is an accomplished artist in her line and her appearances always draw large audiences, for we know her and appreciate her superior talent and her finished accomplishments as a violinist of rare merit.

The commencement exercises of the Fluvanna High School will be held May 24th with a good program which will be found in another column of this issue of the Signal. On the 22nd, Mrs. Walker McMullan's class in Expression at Fluvanna will render a comedy entitled "Country Polka" the program of which appears in another part of this paper.

Mrs. E. B. Barnes will present her music pupils in two events at the Methodist church Friday and Saturday night.

Graduating Exercises Sunday, May 23 at 11:00 a. m.

Invocation—Rev. Wm. Peart. Song: All Hail the Power of Jesus Name.

E. D. Curry, song leader. Sermon: Dr. F. D. Kerchner. Song: Count Your Blessings. Benediction: Rev. M. T. Tucker.

Monday evening, May 24, 8:45 at the Opera House.

Invocation: Rev. J. E. Stephens. Class Song:

Salutatory: Reba Smith. Thesis—



E. A. WATSON, Superintendent, Snyder Public Schools.

### "Our National Honor."

Valedictory: Ora Farr. Thesis—"Hope."

Class Address—Dr. J. D. Bender. Presentation of Diplomas—Superintendent.

It is understood that the graduating theses will be spoken and not read and they are original productions.

### Seventh Grade Exercises

The graduating exercises of the Seventh Grade will be held Friday, May 21, at the High School Auditorium at 10 a. m.

Invocation—Rev. Wm. Peart. Music "Invitation to the Dance"—Carl Weber.

Music "Silver Thistle"—Op. 21—E. Ketterer—Miss Halston.

The Artists Secret—Elmer Wilson. Music at Rhapsodians—Thelma Williams. (Musical Accompaniment by Miss Lora Williams.)

Music "Silver Thistle"—Op. 21—E. Ketterer—Miss Halston.

Brier Rose.

Crowning the Bar—Constance Isaacs.

Class Address: Hon. W. W. Hamilton.

Presentation of Diplomas—E. A. Watson.

The following are the graduates: R. V. Wilson, Edgar Shuler, Garner Hutchinson, Joe Graham, Harold Peart, Elmer Howell, Edith Davenport, Hubert Green, Clyde May, Paige, Mary Thompson, Josie Doak, Pierce Doyon, Beckton Templeton, Wayne Wesson, Willie Lee Jenkins, Clarence Stewart, Nina Morgan, Annie Carter, Hattie Abbott, Constance Isaacs, Daisy Metten, Thelma Williams, Ella Mae Sturdivant, Elmer Williams, Y. J. Green, Fannie Mae Cole, Edgar Davis, Lennox Nelson, Winifred Wode. Miss Holland, Director.

### PIANO RECITALS BY MISS BARNES PUPILS

A large audience assembled at the Methodist church last night to attend the recital of the advanced music pupils of Mrs. Barnes. At the opening hour Judge C. C. Higgins appeared with the announcement that the recital would be postponed until tonight on account of a sudden attack of illness of Mrs. Barnes.

This afternoon, Friday at 8 o'clock, the junior pupils of Mrs. Barnes will render their first recital at the Methodist church, in which the public is cordially invited.

These entertainments are both enjoyable and elevating and the Signal predicts that a large audience will greet these young people.

Mrs. H. G. Towle and Mrs. C. H. Alexander have gone as delegates to the Missionary Conference at Memphis, Texas, representing the Snyder Auxiliary.

### BAND CONCERT AT CITY PARK AUDITORIUM SATURDAY NIGHT

The Snyder Concert Band will give a free concert at the City Park Auditorium Saturday night, May 22, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

An extensive musical program will be rendered interspersed with impromptu talks by Mayor Noble, Rev. Wm. Peart, Prof. E. A. Watson, J. P. Chambers, Judge C. C. Higgins, Judge Fritz R. Smith, E. J. Anderson, Judge C. R. Buchanan, Rev. J. E. Stephens, Chas. Anderson, Rev. M. T. Tucker, F. J. Grayson and others.

### "THE BURRO" HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL FROM SIGNAL PRESS

From the Snyder Signal press in the Job Printing Department today comes "The Burro" High School Annual, which is an interesting specimen of the talent manifested by our young writers as well as an exhibit of the perfection of the allied arts of printing. The Signal is proud of its contents, proud of the appearance of the book and proud of the faithful men, under the direction of Mr. W. B. Hall, who produced it.

The promoters of this publication are rapidly placing the entire edition at \$1.00 a piece, and those who have not already arranged for a copy should see Mr. Fowler here at once and get one before the supply is exhausted.

### SNYDER COTTON COMPRESS TO BE LOCATED HERE

Mr. H. H. Pennington, of Sabinas, Texas, was here yesterday planning the erection of the Snyder Cotton Compress. He announced that the building would be erected on the right of ways of both the R. & P. and Santa Fe railroads on the property just northeast of the Santa Fe passenger station.

This is one of the most essential outlays for Snyder and the Signal is pleased to herald the glad tidings. Now let's get busy on the grain elevator.

Presbyterian Pastor Coming. Judge Buchanan received a letter this week from Rev. J. C. Higgins of Altus, Oklahoma, saying that he will start with his family for Snyder about May 23 and will be here and ready by June 1st to enter up his work as pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

The church extended him a call some time ago and he has decided to accept it and come to Snyder.

Walter Davis and family and Miss Ida Davis came over from Sweet water Sunday to visit friends and attended church on their old stamping ground.

## NEW BRICK BUILDING TO BE ERECTED

TWO STORY STRUCTURE ON HARRIS KOONSMAN LOTS WILL BE ERECTED

Mr. Geo. W. Harris is starting in on the building of two brick store houses on the West Side of the square on his and J. J. Koonsmann's lots between the First State Bank and Trust Company and the Hunter Mercantile Company.

The buildings will be two stories and finished in modern style, making the west side a solid block of substantial buildings. It is understood that the new stores will be occupied by the Townsend-Oldham Company. The buildings will be 60 by 100 feet and will be one of the best fitted and best located stores in the city.

### E. Hearn Died Suddenly

Mr. E. Hearn who used to work with Mr. McClinton in the shoe making business in Snyder died suddenly last Monday afternoon at the home of a friend at Wastella. Since leaving Snyder he has been working at his trade in Sweetwater and occasionally visiting here. Last Monday he sent word to Mr. McClinton that his old time partner was still alive and kicking. It was just a short time after getting this cheerful message that the news came of his death from heart trouble.

Mr. Hearn formerly resided at Alvarado and was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge at that place. He was a quiet man and a good workman.

### Scholastic Population Increased

Chairman H. P. Pryor, of the School Board has almost completed the scholastic census in the Snyder Independent district. His study the scholastic population has increased about 75 over last year which is an increase of about 10 per cent. Let us hope now for a full nine months school year and that the additions be made in the curriculum in order to get school to full utilization with the state university in all points.

### Old Vets Eat Ice Cream

Mr. E. P. Fowler, and his son, N. A. Fowler gave the old soldiers of Hill County a rare treat of ice cream and cake last Friday afternoon. The occasion was in honor of the 77th birthday of Father Fowler. About a dozen people enjoyed this treat and they all expressed appreciation of the courtesy.

The cream was made by the Snyder Bottling Works and Ice Cream Factory and was pronounced as good as any cream made anywhere.

The old Vets enjoyed it. They all said that such a thing as ice cream was not run across often during the hot times they served through during the war.

The old boys are wishing Captain Fowler many more birthdays and they hope to eat Snyder made cream with him at all of them.

### Rail Damage in Kent

Report was received here Wednesday of a severe rail storm that occurred in Kent county Tuesday night. It is learned that a considerable coupe of country near Polar was badly damaged by the hail. The fruit crop was nearly all beaten off the trees.

### Several Sheriffs Want Man

Sheriff W. A. Merrill went to Dallas nearly a week ago to get a certain well known party, a former resident of Snyder, against whom it is said criminal charges are pending here. He was expected back Monday and again Tuesday, but failed to come. Information was then passed around that Sheriff Merrill was there from other counties in Texas and one from New Mexico—all wanting the same party and they all had to wait for a settlement of the question which should have him first.

Up to Thursday evening, Mr. Merrill had not returned.

E. R. Crook, of Ennis, Texas has been here this week representing the Fort Worth Record.

## SCHOOL BOARD ELECTS TEACHERS

Called Meeting of the Board—H. P. Pryor, Chairman, Appoint Committees

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees was held Monday night for the purpose of electing teachers for the coming year, and the following named were elected.

Miss Lela Porter, principal of the North ward school building, salary \$75.00 per month.

Miss Maury Heath, primary, north ward school, \$75.00 per month.

Miss Rada Maxwell, principal of the West Ward school, \$75.00.

Miss Ida Kelly, primary West Ward, \$75.00.

Miss Nannie Hall, primary, Central school, \$75.00.

Miss Grace Moore, first, second and third grades, \$60.00.

Miss Maggie Hall, fourth grade, \$60.00.

Miss Veda Maxwell, fifth grade, \$60.00.

Mrs. W. P. Ralston, sixth grade, \$60.00.

Miss Vera Heath, seventh grade, \$75.00.

Miss Anna Mae Kieppeth, Latin, \$75.00.

B. D. Black, principal, \$100.00.

Mr. E. L. Hives, English, \$75.00.

Mr. E. A. Watson, Superintendent, \$1700 a year.

High school teachers will teach subjects named and such other subjects as superintendent may require.

The following committees were appointed by the Chairman:

Finance—A. Johnston, J. W. Couch, E. D. Curry.

Buildings, Grounds and Supplies—H. P. Cox, A. Johnston, J. W. Couch.

Course of Study—E. B. Barnes, H. P. Cox, E. A. Watson.

Grievance—O. L. Jones, E. D. Curry, E. B. Barnes.

The History teacher has been selected. H. P. Pryor is chairman of the board and A. Johnston is Secretary.

Harvest Time Here

W. A. Warren will start his harvesting machine next week. He says he has as fine a field of oats as he ever saw and has contracts to cut a number of good fields of oats, peas and wheat. Mr. Warren says the early wheat is practically made and is good, but the latter looking needs another rain.

R. C. Herm was here Saturday from Hemphill.

## REVIVAL MEETING BEGINS MAY 26TH.

Revival Song Service Will Begin May 26th.—Meeting Proper 30th.

The Signal is advised that the Revival Song Service will begin Wednesday night, May 26th, at which time the Evangelist singers V. E. Brock and wife, of Memphis, Tennessee will be in Snyder to lead same.

Evangelist O. H. Hamilton will arrive Saturday, May 29th and the meeting proper will commence Sunday, May 30.

All singers who will join the choir are requested to meet at the City Park Auditorium next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

### Railroad Man Visits Snyder

W. S. James, assistant general manager of the Home, Snyder & Pacific railroad, was in Snyder yesterday and visited the Signal office. Mr. James passed a nice compliment on the appearance of the court house square, and stated that he had been reading what the Signal had been publishing with a boasting spirit regarding Snyder and her interests. He also admitted that Snyder's train service was not what it ought to be, but that it would necessitate an increase of \$25.00 per day passenger service to justify adding a double service for his road from Monroe to Snyder. By early fall, with the present prospect outlook, Mr. James is of the opinion that double passenger service would begin.

If proper affiliation could be made with the Texas & Pacific Railway there is no question but that the R. & P. would do their part toward a better passenger and mail service for Snyder.

Mr. James, in company with the Signal man, inspected the City Park Auditorium and that gentleman expressed delight with the appearance of same, also noted with pleasure, the many other improvements and building construction now going on in Snyder, the metropolis of the golden west.

Mr. T. C. Stinson was here Wednesday from Fra, just looking around at the town. He is a farmer now and has just as much right as the rest of our common citizens to look at the County Commissioners. He is pleased to note the substantial improvement going on in Snyder.

Attorney T. P. Perkins is in Fort Worth this week.



OTHELLO L. HAM HAMILTON, Evangelist.